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Letter dated 20 December 1995 from the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We should be grateful if you would have the attached text of the Agreement on the Establishment of the Joint Cooperation Council among the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, signed in Paris, France on 14 December 1995 by President Franjo Tudjman, President of the Presidency Alija Izetbegovic, and President Kresimir Zubak respectively, circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 28, and of the Security Council (see annex).

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ANNEX

Agreement on the Establishment of the Joint Cooperation Council

Determined to contribute to the establishment and maintenance of just and lasting peace in the region,

Aware that mutual cooperation is in their interest and of a broader importance,

Prepared to take every necessary step, in their countries and internationally, focused on association with European integrations,

Interested in cooperating with the international community in the reconstruction and development of their countries,

The Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina have agreed as follows:

Article I

The Joint Cooperation Council of the Republic of Croatia and the Republic and Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (hereinafter referred to as the Joint Council) will be established.

Article II

The Joint Council will deal with the promotion, strategic planning and coordination of cooperation as follows:

1. In relations between the Republic of Croatia and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, particularly in the following fields:

- Education,
- Science and technology,
- Information,
- Tourism, sports and protection of the environment,
- Welfare,
- Economic relations, and
- Promotion of cooperation between non-governmental organizations.

2. In relations between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, particularly in the following fields:

- Coordination of foreign policy and of appearance with respect to third countries and international organizations,

- Coordination of activities related to association with the European Union, the Council of Europe, Partnership for Peace with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and association with other regional, European and broader associations,

- Coordination of development and of cooperation with the international community in reconstruction and development,

- Military cooperation,

- Dealing with issues related to the succession of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and

- Other matters of common interest to the two States.

Article III

The Joint Council will consist of ten members, five from the Republic of Croatia and five from the Republic and Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The President of the Joint Council will be the President of the Republic of Croatia Dr. Franjo Tudjman, and the Vice-President will be the President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina Alija Izetbegovic.

The parties hereto will appoint the members of the Joint Council within 15 days of the signing of the Agreement.

Article IV

This Agreement has been concluded in six identical copies with the official English translation.

Article V

The Agreement will enter into force on the day of its signing.

Done in Paris, on this 14th day of December 1995.

President
of the Republic of Croatia

Dr. Franjo TUDJMAN

President of the Presidency
of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Alija IZETBEGOVIĆ

President of the Federation
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Krešimir ZUBAK